Marion County Election Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 17, 2013 10:00 a.m. City County Building Rm. 107

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Chairman Mark Sullivan; Vice Chairman Patrick Dietrick; Secretary Elizabeth "Beth" White; Director of Elections Myla Eldridge

Others Present: Counsel Andy Mallon; Counsel David J Lichtenberger; Angie Nussmeyer; Michael Weiseman; Will French; Patrick Becker; Kristina Deckard; Jenny Troutman; Joseph Shestak; VR Cindy Mowery; VR LaDonna Freeman; RBM Keith McGinnis; Anna Peay; Frances Marshall; Ray Scheele; Greg Feharbach; Gloria Darden; Luvenia Davis; Robert Farber; Brenda Truedell-Bell; Nathaniel Truedell; Richard Graves; Diane Graves; Tonya Patterson; Addielachelle Sanders; Allison DeYoung

- **I.** Call to Order: Chairman Sullivan called the meeting to order.
- II. Ratification of Meeting Minutes from March 13, 2013: Madame Clerk motioned to approve the minutes. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
- III. Friends of Democracy Presentation: Madame Clerk presented awards to citizens who have served the Election Board for many years as Election Day commissioners, traveling board members, absentee signature review teams and early in-person voting clerks and judges. They included; Luvenia Davis, Frances Marshall, Gloria Darden, Robert Farber, and Brenda Truedell-Bell, on behalf of Richard Bell who recently passed away.
- IV. **IPAS Hearing – Diane Graves:** Miss Graves filed a complaint to the Election Board in December 2012. Miss Graves stated she went to her polling place to vote during the 2012 General Election and asked for the iVotronic voting machine since she is legally blind. According to Miss Graves' account, the poll workers at the polling site stated they didn't have the voting machine. Miss Graves went ahead and voted on a paper ballot with the assistance from her step-daughter. The Election Board provided documentation that there was an iVotronic voting machine at the polling site. The Election Board acknowledged that human error may have taken place at this polling site. Training materials and documents were provided to Miss Graves and her counsel to prove that poll workers are trained how to set up and use the iVotronic voting machines. Miss Graves' counsel stated that his client was denied access to an ADA compliant voting machine. The Election Board stated they will continue to investigate this matter by reviewing EBIRS system to determine if any calls were taken regarding these issues.
- V. Campaign Finance Fine Hearing Anna Peay: Miss Peay filed her annual campaign finance report a day late to the Election Board. Miss Peay stated she never received notice from the Election Board to file her report. Miss Peay had two committees open; City Council and Wayne Township Advisory Board. Miss Peay forgot that her Wayne Township committee was still open. She did not spend or take in any money for this committee. Chairman Sullivan motioned to wave the fine. Madame Clerk seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

- VI. VEP Update: Madame Clerk stated the VEP has met twice already to discuss and review the options for new voting equipment and procedures for Marion County. The last meeting was over election basics. Nine more meetings are scheduled for the VEP group. Each meeting is open to the public. Each meeting is broadcasted live and is accessible to download on www.indy.gov's website. Meetings are held in the Public Assembly Room in the City County Building.
- VII. Ratification of Contract The Bowen Center for Public Affairs: Madame Clerk stated the contract is not to exceed the amount of \$27,500. Madame Clerk motioned to ratify the contract. Vice Chairman Dietrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VIII.	Adjournment:	Chairman	Sullivan	adjourr	ned the	meeting
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Chairman, Mark K. Sullivan					
Vice Chairman, Patrick Dietrick					
Secretary, Elizabeth L. White					